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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appl. of: Stinson, Jonathan S. Art Unit: 3731  
Serial No: 10/038,640 Examiner: Bradford C. Pantuck  
Filed: January 4, 2002 Attorney Docket: 23,369-110  
For: Prostheses Implantable in Enteral Vessels

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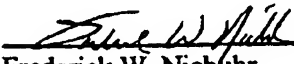
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Respectfully submitted,

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**VIA FACSIMILE**  
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Re: Refund or Credit to Deposit Account for Application No. 10/038640  
Deposit Account No. 120449

Dear Sir/Madam:


The above referenced application number is for a U.S. application filed January 4, 2002. Our deposit account was charged \$110.00 for fee code 1251. We filed a response to an Election/Restriction requirement which usually carries a one month deadline. The examiner indicated a three month deadline in the Election/Restriction Office Action mailed on December 29, 2004. We file a response to this action on February 18, 2004. Therefore, we filed the response within the three month deadline.

Enclosed is the office action showing the three month deadline.

We are requesting a refund or a credit to our deposit account of \$110.00. Please let me know if there is anything further that I need to submit to obtain this refund.

Thank you for your anticipated cooperation.

Sincerely,

  
Cathryn J. Quinn, Paralegal for  
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